## 3 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 10 11 COLONY INSURANCE COMPANY, Case No.: 2:18-cv-01950-JCM-NJK 12 Plaintiff(s), Order 13 v. [Docket Nos. 44, 47] 14 JUAN M. SANCHEZ, et al., 15 Defendant(s). 16 Pending before the Court is Plaintiff's motion to reconsider the order compelling deposition testimony within 14 days, as well as a motion to retroactively extend the deadline to respond to Defendant Sanchez's motion to compel that testimony. Docket Nos. 44, 47. As a threshold matter, the motions fail to identify and address the standards for seeking reconsideration of an interlocutory order. See Local Rule 59-1(a). Moreover, it is doubtful that those standards could be met based on the circumstances of this case. The gist of the situation is that Plaintiff did

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not heed a clear Court order issued just weeks ago that discovery motions will be briefed on

shortened time. See Docket No. 37. Instead, Plaintiff's counsel and his staff blindly relied upon

the deadline automatically-generated by CM/ECF, in contravention of the local rules and the order

setting shortened deadlines. See id. at 2 n.2 ("The Court reminds the parties that the CM/ECF

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unlike Rule 60 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, which governs reconsideration of final judgments and orders, the standards for reconsideration of interlocutory orders do not include granting relief based merely on a showing of mistake or excusable neglect. *Compare* Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b)(1) *with* Local Rule 59-1(a).

system may automatically generate deadlines that are inconsistent with this order and, in such instances, this order controls. *See* Local Rule IC 3-1(d)"). As such, the instant situation does not involve a mere "calendaring error," but it involves a failure to read and follow a clear order recently issued that addresses the exact situation at hand.<sup>2</sup>

Given the applicable standards and the above circumstances, the Court would be well within its discretion to deny further relief. As a <u>one-time courtesy</u> to Plaintiff, however, the Court will **VACATE** its order granting the motion to compel as unopposed (Docket No. 43) and permit Plaintiff to file a response to that motion by May 14, 2019.<sup>3</sup> The motions for reconsideration and for extension are hereby **GRANTED** in part, consistent with the above.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 10, 2019

Nancy J. Koppe

United States Magistrate Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Plaintiff also indicates that the shortened deadline did not provide adequate time to respond. *See*, *e.g.*, Docket No. 44 at 3. If that was the situation, the solution is not to simply allow the deadline to lapse. Instead, a proper request for extension should have been filed <u>before</u> the deadline expired. Indeed, the order at issue expressly contemplates such a scenario. *See* Docket No. 37 at 2 (providing shortened deadlines "absent leave for an extension being granted").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Because additional time is being afforded for the response, Defendant Sanchez will have until May 21, 2019, to file a reply.